

Originator

Item

2016-2021 Metro Regional Parks CIP

Date

5/13/2015

Description

This memo provides information on the City of Bloomington's 2016-2021 Metro Regional Parks CIP funding request to the Metropolitan Council. The 2016-2021 Metro Regional Park CIP as currently proposed by the Metropolitan Council Parks and Open Space Commission provides up to \$460,000 per biennium for City CIP projects, for a total of \$1,380,000. The actual amount of funding is dependent upon future actions to be taken by the State Legislature for capital projects bonding. Staff will be forwarding a request to Council for approval of the proposed 2016-2021 Regional Parks CIP funding request.

Starting in 2010, the Regional Parks CIP has been supplemented by funding provided through the Parks and Trails Legacy Fund. During the past two years, the City was awarded Legacy Fund grants for \$289,000 in FY2013-14 and \$292,000 for FY2014-15. These two Legacy grants are being used for the reconstruction of parking lots at Normandale Lake and West Bush Lake Parks. The City routinely combines Legacy Fund grants with State CIP bonding grants to finance capital improvement projects in the City-owned portions of the Hyland-Bush-Anderson Lakes Regional Park Reserve.

Metropolitan Council staff is requesting that the Metropolitan Regional Park implementing agencies submit their prioritized 2016-2021 Metro Regional Park CIP project list by May 31, 2015. Below is the staff recommendation for 2016-2021 Metro Regional Park CIP projects.

2016-2017 Funding Request – Total of \$460,000**1. Park Reserve land acquisition reimbursements - \$196,164.**

Reimbursement of City's 25% share of costs associated with Park Reserve in-holding acquisitions that occurred in 2014 at 7907 Lea Road and 7501 Izaak Walton Road. In 2014 the City was awarded up to \$607,029 in Metro Regional Parks land acquisition grants, which funded 75% of the acquisition costs.

2. Partial funding to reconstruct parking lots within the Park Reserve - \$263,836.

Reconstruct West Bush Lake south parking lots and driveways, boat ramp improvements, new lighting, landscaping and associated storm water management improvements, plus design/engineering fees and contingencies. Additional project funding is proposed to be provided through \$641,128 in Legacy Fund grants, for a total of \$904,964. It is anticipated that the parking lot reconstruction work will be performed in two phases as grant funding becomes available: 2016-2017 (\$904,964) and 2018-2019 (\$841,082).

2018-2019 Funding Request – Total of \$460,000**1. Partial funding to reconstruct parking lots within the Park Reserve - \$460,000.**

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2020-2021 Funding Request – Total of \$460,000**1. Partial funding to reconstruct Tierney's Woods trail - \$460,000**

Reconstruct bituminous trail from Oakmere Rd. to Marth Rd. Additional project funding is proposed to be provided through \$242,591 in 2020 Legacy Fund grants, for a total of \$702,591. Reconstruct a total of 4,900 l.f. of trails @ \$92.68/l.f. = \$454,132, plus \$185,000 for right of way acquisitions and \$63,459 for additional retaining walls – total of \$702,591.

The projects listed in the 2016-2021 Regional Park CIP funding request are included in the Council approved 2015 - 2019 P&R CIP. Pending Council approval, the 2016-2021 funding request will be submitted to the Met Council. The City will be afforded an opportunity to adjust the 2018-2019 and 2020-2021 funding requests the year before each funding request is formally submitted to the Met Council and State Legislature. In the event that the funding allocation per biennium changes, a revised funding request will be brought back to Council.

Requested Action

Approve a recommendation to Council to approve the 2016 – 2021 Metro Regional Parks CIP funding request as listed in this document.

Attachments: